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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT : Weekly Report No. 33
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I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None

II. OTHER ITEMS

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2. [REDACTED] spent two days--September 13 and 14--consulting with Agency people about the various projects on Programmed Instruction which the [REDACTED] is now performing under contract with the Agency. He spent most of Thursday, 13 September, reviewing the work [REDACTED] has been doing in programming portions of his Intelligence Research Techniques course (Task Order No. 6 of the basic contract). On Friday he was joined by [REDACTED], a senior member of his programming staff, and together they spent most of the day with members of the Documents Division, OCR, getting details about how a document analyst uses the Intelligence Subject Code (Task Order No. 1). In addition, [REDACTED] had lunch Friday with [REDACTED] to talk over the status of the Technical Writing programming project (Task Order No. 3). Task Orders Nos. 1 and 3, both delayed because of a temporary shortage of programmers at [REDACTED] are now well started. 25X1A5a1

3. [REDACTED] received a report by phone this week from [REDACTED] regarding the status of his project, supported by Agency funds, to 1) develop an audio-visual device for self-instruction in language learning and 2) prepare and evaluate a sample self-tutoring program for use by [REDACTED]

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the device to teach Mandarin Chinese. [REDACTED] professor, started work on the project in 1959. So far he has designed and built two prototype devices at a total cost of \$10,000. He has also prepared about 1,250 frames of material which has taken subjects from 40 to 60 hours to complete. The program has been designed to teach the student the elements of reading, writing, speaking, and understanding Mandarin Chinese; the results on a tryout of the program on a total of 20 subjects are not yet available, but [REDACTED] expects to prepare a report on the whole project within the next four weeks. The last of the funds, provided by the Agency [REDACTED], are now nearly exhausted.

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4. The Suggestion Awards Committee presented [REDACTED] five awards for techniques and equipment devised in support of clandestine operations.

5. [REDACTED] attended a conference at Cape Cod which was sponsored by the [REDACTED] to discuss the latest developments on the Personality Assessment System. Those present included: John [REDACTED]

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Topics covered:

a. Review and updating of the system by [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] with the first four volumes of a comprehensive "atlas" he has written during the past year. He hopes to complete the second four volumes within the next eight to ten months.

b. Heavy emphasis was placed on preparing lists of character traits which could serve as guides for predicting subject behavior in various frames of reference.

c. Requirements were levied on those present to come up with lists of situational observations which could serve as guides in preparing indirect assessments.

d. Supporting clinical research on the system was reviewed and a determination made of the extent and direction of future needs.

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